EXPIRATION OF CHAPTER 12

Chapter 12 of the United States Bankruptcy Code will expire on January 1, 2004.

As a result, no new chapter 12 cases will be accepted for filing beginning January 1, 2004. However, any chapter 12 cases filed before January 1, 2004, and all matters or proceedings related to those cases will be conducted as if chapter 12 did not expire.

Several bills that would affect the status of chapter 12 are pending in Congress, and the Clerk will notify the public if there is any subsequent change in the status of chapter 12.

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